# Flathead County EMS Advisory Committee November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Attendees:

Kris Long Kim Vierra-Diehl Erika Larsen Lance Westgard Mary Granger James Brower Jerry Thornburg Gary Mahugh Peggy Miller Amanda Norenberg Rod Dresbach Darla Katzenmeyer **Doug Scarff** Ed Burlingame Amy Metcalf Nat O'Farrell

Louise Tidwell Bill Tidwell Rocco Altobelli

Called to Order 17:30 Agenda Approved Minutes Approved for September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## Funding Formula Finalization FY11

Granger discussed the additions to the previously approved EMS distribution formula. The Committee voted to add the Fire Service Area as a QRU to help with EMS and Fire units responding outside of their districts and into the Fire Service Area. South Kalispell Fire/QRU has also been established and added to the funding formula. After the additions, the formula illustrated an increase to the non-transporting agencies and a decrease to the transporting agencies. Under further review it was determined that the transporting agencies lost 17%. After discussion the Committee agreed to split the percentage between both transport and non-transport agencies.

Lance Westgard, James Brower agreed to the changes, Doug Scarff conveyed concern due to the possibility of decreasing funds in later disbursements.

MOTION to approve amended formula, Dan Diehl Second, Lance Westgard Approved, unanimous

### <u>Training Subcommittee Report – Rocco Altobelli</u>

Rocco explained the subcommittee has not met due to the busy training season. There has been a Basic refresher, a Medic refresher is in progress, a FR refresher in December and a second Basic refresher in January. There is also a PHTLS class next week that will also provide instructor training. All of these classes include an online content portion that decreases the amount of classroom time. Rocco expressed the need for feed back after the upcoming training season; this will ensure the online format is useful and appreciated.

### Operations Subcommittee Report- Mary Granger

Mary explained the subcommittee discussed the funding formula and concluded with the recommendation presented tonight. The subcommittee also discussed the progression of the New World billing software patch. Also discussed is the need to rewrite the County EMS Regulations, to be continued.

#### EMS Managers Report- Mary Granger

Mary expressed that the above items are have are the update and nothing further

Selection of a Vice Chairperson - Kris Long

Peggy Miller nominated Scott Miller, MOTION to approve Scott Miller as Vice Chairperson, Dan Diehl Second, James Brower Discussion

Acclamation

Other Business - Kris Long

The Committee discussed the possibility of quarterly meetings.

MOTION to approve quarterly meetings FEB, MAY, AUG, and NOV, James Brower Second, Doug Scarff

Approved

Meeting Adjourned at 1800

Next meeting: February 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1730 FECC